

THE WEATHER.

Fair and warmer Thursday—Friday fair.

Editorial Comment

Call 449 if you fail to get the Kentucky promptly. And if you have a news item, phone it to the same number.

Pleasure trips in the air are now prohibited in London.

There will be an increase of one cent a pound on sugar.

John Robinson's Circus will be here on August 30 and will show in the Ford field on North Main Street.

FOLLOWING THE FLAG

The public is invited to the unfurling of the service flag Sunday, August 4th, at Longview.

Herman Whittaker left several days ago for Nashville and enlisted in the Marines and was sent to Paris Island for training.

C. W. Smithland has received information that his sons, Guy and Austin Smithson, have arrived overseas and are pleased with army life in France.

News comes to friends here from Buck Boxley that he has been transferred again and is now in the ambulance service of the medical corps. He is still at Camp Beauregard, La.

The statement in our recent reference to the boys who went to Washington State for war work was incorrect in one item. Frank Hulse was not in class one, but went as a volunteer in class two.

Mrs. Henry Frankel has six nephews in the army and five of them are now in France. Two of them, Karl and Will Kleeman, of Clarksville, are known to be in the big battle now going on.

Pettus Baker, who arrived in France June 24, writes his father, Bryant Baker, that he is in actual service as camera man in an airplane over the battle front. He says: "We are giving them fits whenever we can catch 'em. Don't worry. Things are going our way and the war will soon be over and we will be home next year."

Capt. Austin Bell left for Greenleaf, Ga., last night, where he will become a member of the Medical Reserve Corps of the U. S. Army. In addition to being one of Hopkinsville's most prominent physicians, he is a veteran of the Spanish-American War and acquainted with army life. He leaves a splendid and lucrative practice to join the colors and fight for his country.

NEW POWER COMPANY.

(By Associated Press.)

Buffalo, N. Y., July 31.—One of the greatest water developing projects of the many centering about Niagara Falls has been launched on the Canadian side of the river. It contemplates an immediate production of 300,000 electrical horsepower, of equal to approximately one-half the present total development on both sides of the river, and it may expand to 1,000,000 horse power.

Actual work on the new channel was begun recently by the Ontario Hydro Commission. There were no ceremonies and the launching of the work was virtually unknown to the general public. The channel will encircle the city of Niagara Falls, Ont., one running from the Welland River a tributary to the Niagara above the cataract, to the escarpment below Queenston heights. The power house will be located on the river level almost at the foot of Brock's monument.

RUNS INTO LAMP POST.

Hamp Dean, an employee of Gates & Co., lost control of his car last night about eight o'clock while driving east on Ninth Street and ran into the white way lamp post at the corner of Ninth and Liberty in front of the Westminster church. Slight damage was done to the car but nobody was injured. Mrs. J. T. Hanbury was passing along the sidewalk and became frightened and fell when she attempted to jump out of the way. However, she was not injured.

RETREAT NOT YET ENDED

LOT OF LAUGH IN BERLIN REPORTS

AMERICAN PRESS HUMORISTS ARE WILLING TO GIVE A MEMBERSHIP TO MAN WHO WRITES THEM.

Chicago, July 30.—Whoever the inspired gentleman in Berlin may be who is writing the German official communiques on the Rheims-Soissons battle situation, he has had a great honor thrust upon him. On proper application he will be admitted to full membership in the American Press Humorists, the national organization of newspaper humorists and cartoonists, which recently held its annual convention in Chicago. The idea was suggested to Douglas Malloch, Chicago poet, and national president of the newspaper wits, and met with his instant approval.

"Sure," said Mr. Malloch, "we shall be glad to take him in—although he has not been able to take us in, as yet. His is the funniest stuff I have seen on the war. I understand that the Germans think so well of it that they run it on the front page. They ought to run it in the humorous column, where it belongs. Whenever I am downhearted, I always read the German report, because it is sure to be good for a laugh. I wonder if it couldn't be worked up into a vaudeville sketch? But, no—it's too funny."

"What about it strikes you as particularly good?"

"Well, for example, this statement that 'having accomplished our purpose—to bring on a French counter-attack—we are now goose-stepping it for the rear.' If that was the purpose of the German generals, you'll have to admit they got results. And, if you will read a little farther, if you are not laughing too hard, you will learn that the Germans won a thrilling victory by 'getting away without being observed.' If they continue to meet with success it looks like they would soon take Berlin."

"The Germans thought the American army was a joke."

"It was. It must have been, anyway the clown prince fell for it. And at last reports he is still falling—back the Americans aren't taking prisoners—they're overtaking them."

"To what school of humor would you say the official German reports belong?"

"They belong to the deaf, dumb and blind school of humor. They are evidently intended for the inmates of such institutions in Germany who have not yet been sent to the front."

"But would you take a German into membership?"

"Why not? Three of our members—Franklin P. Adams, Grantland Rice and F. Gregory Hartwick—are over there now trying to make the acquaintance of the Germans. I have asked them to try to organize a local chapter in Berlin."

KILLED IN AKRON OHIO

News was received last night of the death by accident of Thomas Witty, at Akron, Ohio. He was a son of W. S. Witty and was an unmarried man 35 or 40 years of age. He went to Akron some time ago to work in a government plant. It is presumed that the body will be brought home for interment.

WAR KITCHEN.

Mrs. J. H. Dagg, of the County Food Administration, will hold a war kitchen at the Christian church next Monday and Tuesday from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. and give demonstrations in making wheatless, meatless and sugarless dishes. Four special demonstrators from the University of Kentucky will have charge.

HOW AMERICANS CROSSED OURCQ

IOWA CAPTAIN LED HIS WHOOPING MEN THROUGH STREAM IN FACE OF GERMAN FIRE.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army on the Aisne-Marne front.—The crossing of the Ourcq river was effected by the Americans Sunday in brilliant style in the face of great difficulties, the Germans having destroyed the bridge and placed their artillery and machine guns in advantageous positions to resist the attempts at a passage.

The French and American forces had planned to cross the Ourcq before daylight on Sunday, but the German heavy artillery held the slopes leading to the river under fire, which continued all night. The Americans repeatedly started to advance during the night, but as often were held back by the fire of the enemy machine guns and heavier pieces.

During one of the lulls in the German firing Captain Allen T. Hupp, of Corning, Ia., worked his men up to the center of a field, the slopes of which led to the Ourcq. Just then the Germans resumed their fire in full force. Immediately Hupp and his men dug in and held on where they were until daylight.

Meanwhile the German artillery had been quietly somewhat by the heavier artillery of the allies carrying out counter battery work. Choosing an opportune moment, Hupp's men dashed to the river, jumped in and waded across, cheering as they went.

Corporal Chris Berthelsen of Sioux City was among those of the first wave to cross the river. They immediately went after the machine guns on a hill on the north bank of the Ourcq. The fire which they opened on the enemy nest at this point was so intense that the Germans raised a white flag. Anticipating a nice bag of prisoners, the Americans rushed up, only to be opened again by the enemy machine guns as they approached. Then the Americans let loose with the full weight of their fire against the Germans, who again raised the white flag. Twelve Germans were killed and nine captured in this operation.

BOMB GETS TWO HUNS

(By Associated Press.)

Amsterdam, July 31.—Field Marshal von Eichorn, the German commander of Ukraine, and his adjutant, were fatally wounded by a bomb at Kiev Tuesday, says an official announcement from the Kiev capital.

The bomb was thrown from a cab which drove close to the carriage in which the officials were approaching the Field Marshal's residence.

The assassin and the cab driver were arrested.

A later message announced that the two officers died last night.

NOTICE

To All Retail Grocers and Meat Dealers in Hopkinsville.

At a meeting of the grocers and meat dealers, held at the H. B. M. A. office last night, it was agreed that no definite action be taken until other information could be had from the state representative of the Conservation Division War Industries Board.

I have taken this matter up with this department and hope to be in a position to advise you within the next few days just what will be required as to making your deliveries.

GARNER DALTON, Secy.

Germany is calling boys of 17 to the colors and England has extended the age limit for military service to 45 years.

SATISFIED WITH HIS GETAWAY CROWN PRINCE HAS PAUSED FOR A BREATHING SPELL

(By Associated Press.)

A complete calm fell over the Aisne-Marne battle area today, with only the thunder of guns to tell of the new and more terrible gusts of war storms to follow. Paris and Berlin both noted a quiet day. Infantry paused for breath, while the artillery pounded new roads of advance for Foch's armies.

If the pause in the offensive is attributed to war weariness, the crown prince's armies, must too, be worn out by the pressure of the last fort night. For notwithstanding huge reinforcements they have failed to throw back the antagonists a single foot. It is not believed the retreat is ended.

The fourth day of the great allied offensive saw only reciprocal bombardments.

Violent attempts through night by the Germans to expel the Americans and French from positions north of the Ourcq failed entirely.

The latest Berlin communication says 4,000 prisoners have been taken by them during the past few days and twenty-four thousand since July 15th.

EARLY REPORTS.

In spite of the tremendous efforts by the Germans to check the relentless pressure of the allies north of the Ourcq river, Wednesday finds

the Germans' position there in grave danger.

The French, British and Americans are fighting their way forward. To the east of Fere-en-Tardenois they have driven a wedge into the enemy's line and seem to be in a position to compel a hurried retreat from the extreme bottom of the salient.

The allied line today runs south from Soissons to Grand Rozoy, then turns to the east. It passes just north of Fere-en-Tardenois and continues to the apex of the wedge at the village of Vesles, where it turns sharply south.

The allies' advance in this region has placed them in a dominating position.

All around the salient there has been a continuous battle during the last two days with the Germans launching repeated counter-attacks against the allied lines.

They all failed while the allies have gained ground at vital points.

There now seems little doubt that the Germans will retreat to the Vesle river as soon as possible, any possibility of making a stand north of the Ourcq being seemingly gone.

Against the new British positions at Morris, in the Lys salient, where the Germans were driven back Tuesday there has been heavy bombardment.

GREAT MASS MEETING CALLED BY PROHIBITION LEADERS

OPPONENTS OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC AND "BLOCKADE RUNNING" WILL MEET TOMORROW

AT TWO P. M.

ELECTION MAY BE CALLED

Prominent prohibition leaders, business and professional men; farmers, and ministers of churches sent out a call yesterday to all persons in the county who are opposed to the liquor traffic and to what is called "blockade running," to meet together in Hopkinsville at the courthouse tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock p. m. when definite action will be taken towards calling or petitioning for the calling of a county option election for the purpose of voting saloons and liquor out of Christian county.

There has been strong talk for some months by people all over the county, especially the farmers, about the calling of this election but it was not until yesterday that the issue came to a definite head.

The turning point seems to have been reached yesterday when a number of business and professional men went in a body before the City Commissioners protesting the issuance of a wholesale and retail liquor license to a party from Evansville, which recently went dry. The protest was made upon the grounds that the location at Ninth and Railroad Streets is not a proper place for a saloon and that, in view of the fact that three saloons have recently closed for lack

of trade, to open another wholesale and retail house here would tend to open up an illegal traffic in liquor between Hopkinsville and territory which is by law now dry.

In the lengthy and very frank discussion of the matter before the Commission frequent and outspoken reference was made to the odious flagrant practice of "blockade running" by Tennessee cars which come here daily and return to Nashville or other points in that State heavily loaded with "booze." Numerous instances were cited where these cars race along at break-neck speed forcing all other traffic into the ditch to avoid collision or possibly loss of life or limb.

At the close of the discussion the protesting delegation withdrew all protests and asked the commission to issue the license to the Evansville party and to others who may apply and that those who believe in stamping out the liquor traffic altogether would take steps to call an election in the county at the earliest possible moment. After the delegation left the City Hall the Commission voted not to issue the license to the Evansville man.

Immediately following the meeting with the City Commission the protesting delegation went to an attorney's office where it was decided to hold a great mass meeting tomorrow at the hour above stated. A great crowd of prohibition advocates and all who wish to see the illegal traffic in liquor and "blockade running" stopped are expected at the meeting tomorrow afternoon.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Ladies of the Concord School District will give an ice cream social on Friday evening, August 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Mayes at the Dalton farm on the Madisonville pike. The proceeds will go to the Red Cross.

Anything that you can give or will contribute for the sale or auction for this cause will be appreciated if sent to the home of Mrs. Mayes or phone 1002-1 and article will be sent for.

TOBACCO KING, DIES.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 29.—R. J. Reynolds, 68, head of one of the largest tobacco manufacturing concerns in the country, died here today. His estate is estimated to be worth \$10,000,000.

Nineteen years ago Henry Smith, of Bowling Green, dropped a Spanish coin on the floor of his father's store and could not find it. This week the safe was moved and the coin found where it had been since 1899.

LANDSDOWNE IS ENGLAND'S LA FOLLETTE

(By Associated Press.)

London, July 31.—Another letter on peace prospects, written by the Marquis of Lansdowne, was read at a conference of his supporters today. The latest utterance proposes no new policy, and consists largely of criticism of the allies for failure to state their war aims more specifically and urges them to take advantage of any opportunity for a discussion of terms. Lansdowne is the only British statesman of the first rank listed as a pacifist and his letter will be published largely in Germany.

WORKING ON THE WAR BILL

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, July 31.—Federal graduated excess tax on the use of automobiles running from \$10 a year on cars originally retailing at not exceeding \$500 to \$60 on \$3,000 cars and \$20 additional for each \$500 above \$3,000 was agreed on today by the House Ways and Means Committee, framing the huge revenue bill. The tax applies directly to owners, while a tax of ten per cent on gross sales, agreed to yesterday, applies to manufacturers, but committee said owners ultimately will have to pay all of the tax, manufacturers passing it on in increased prices.

The committee also agreed to tax 2 cents a gallon on the production of gasoline and a federal excise tax of \$5 a year on the use of motorcycles.

DRESSES RECOVERED

MEN UNDER ARREST CHARGED WITH BREAKING INTO EDWARDS STORE.

Sheriff J. J. Cliborne and Deputy James Gresham and Policeman Joe Wolfe arrested Allie Mullins late Tuesday night at Latham with a suit case which was found to contain six dresses from the stock of J. T. Edwards Co. He was lodged in jail on a charge of housebreaking.

Yesterday a man was arrested in Evansville by detectives who had in his possession the other six of the twelve dresses stolen Saturday or Sunday night, when the store was broken open.

The goods taken were valued at something like \$300.

FOURTH LOAN CAMPAIGN

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, July 31.—The campaign for the fourth Liberty Loan will open Saturday, September 28 and continue three weeks, ending October 19. This was announced tonight by Secretary McAdoo.

ONLY FEW EXEMPTED.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 31.—Only employees whose loss would retard ship production, will retain "emergency fleet" deferred classification in the draft, it was announced tonight by the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

UNCLE SAM BECOMES A HELLO GIRL

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, July 31.—Control of telephone and telegraph lines was taken at midnight tonight by the Postoffice Department and their operation placed under the general supervision of a special committee created for the purpose by Postmaster General Burleson. Later it was announced that until further notice all companies will continue their operation in the ordinary course through the regular channels and all officers and employees will continue in place of their present duties on the same terms of employment. The plan is to coordinate the facilities of various companies to the best interest of the public and the stockholders.

ONE KENTUCKIAN.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, July 31.—Among the names of nineteen enlisted men of the American army held by Germany as prisoners, is Corporal Lee Whitehead, Jeffreys, Ky., at Camp Limburg, formerly announced at Camp Darmstadt.

MRS. SALLEE INJURED.

Mrs. Nick Sallee was painfully hurt yesterday evening by a fall from the back doorstep at her home, at the corner of Eighth and Virginia Sts. Her head was badly cut and she sustained serious bruises, but fortunately no bones were broken. She received prompt attention and was resting comfortably last night.

THESE LATER DAYS.

"Mama, what does it mean when you're wiled and dined?" "That's an obsolete term, Harold. Now you are only grepejuiced and cornbreaded."—Life.

YESTERDAY'S CASUALTIES

Washington, July 29.—The army casualty list today contains the names of Corporal Whitelaw Carns, of Hazard, severely wounded, Corp. Lefe C. Walker, of Greenup, and Priv. Thos. H. Terry, of Nippa, missing in action.

LAUNCHING THREE SHIPS



View of the shipways at Newburg Bay yards as the Alamosa, Alcona and Chetopa were launched simultaneously.

Mrs. Sallie Warfield will spend the day in Nashville today.

Japan claims 57,442,177 population.

Michigan has 126 cheese factories in 1909.

Michigan had 273 creameries in 1909.

Japan will develop home steel industry.